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TOPIC Soviet Tank Unit arriving at the Pioneer Kaserne, Brandenburg

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1. It was [redacted] from Brandenburg (N 53/L 23) on 10 January 1950 that a unit equipped with 60 to 80 tanks arrived in late December 1949 at the former Pioneer Kaserne on the airfield. The tanks of the unit arrived in Brandenburg at night, by rail and road.
2. A column of T34 tanks was seen to arrive from the direction of Belzig (N 53/L 30).
3. Local residents said that the tanks were moved into the garages and sheds of the kaserne immediately upon arrival.

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Comment:

The Brandenburg airfield was previously occupied by Soviet Air Force units (a regiment of the I Gds Pzr Corps). As the air force units moved to Liest in early December 1949 it does not seem impossible that the kasernes at the field may have been reoccupied by a Soviet Army unit (tank regiment?). This unit may belong to the 10th Gds Tank Div (Cadre) as motor vehicle [redacted] 25X1C

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[redacted] belonging to this division, have been from Brandenburg since January 1950 for the first time.

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